

**EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT**

1. Claims 1, 5-8, 12-15, 19, and 20 are pending in the instant application.
2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Nikolaus Schibli on May 23, 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Regarding claim 5, in line 3, "a <sup>delay</sup>start<sub>λ</sub>time" is replaced by <sup>delay</sup>the start<sub>λ</sub>time--, in lines 3-4, "a delay time" is replaced by the delay time--, in line 4, "a data transmission" is replaced by the data transmission--, "a standby period" is replaced by the standby period—and "a specification" is replaced by the specification--, and, in line 5, "an actual" is replaced by the actual--.

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Regarding claim 12, in line 3, "a <sup>delay</sup>start<sub>λ</sub>time" is replaced by <sup>delay</sup>the start<sub>λ</sub>time--, in lines 3-4, "a delay time" is replaced by the delay time--, in line 4, "a data transmission" is replaced by the data transmission--, "a standby period" is replaced by the standby period—and "a specification" is replaced by the specification--, and, in line 5, "an actual" is replaced by the actual--.

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Regarding claim 19, in line 3, "a <sup>delay</sup>start<sub>λ</sub>time" is replaced by <sup>delay</sup>the start<sub>λ</sub>time--, in lines 3-4, "a delay time" is replaced by the delay time--, in line 4, "a data transmission" is replaced by the data transmission--, "a standby period" is replaced by the standby

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